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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled REINFORCED PAPER PRODUCT AND METHOD FOR MAKING SAME, the specification of which is attached hereto.

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